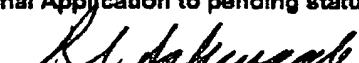


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| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br>PCT/EP2004/006636  |  | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5)<br><b>10/562,920</b> |
| INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE<br>6/18/2004  |  | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED<br>6/30/2003                                      |
| TITLE OF INVENTION<br>AIR-CONDITIONING DEVICE FOR VEHICLES AND METHOD FOR THE OPERATION OF AN AIR-CONDITIONING DEVICE               |  |   |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US<br>Ronny KIEL, Thorsten MÖLLERT, Stéphanie LARPENT  |  |   |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:     |  |   |
| 1.  | <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.   |   |
| 2.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.  |   |
| 3.  | <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.   |   |
| 4.  | <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).   |   |
| 5.  | <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))<br><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).<br><input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.<br><input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)   |   |
| 6.  | <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).<br><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.<br><input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).   |   |
| 7.  | <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))<br><input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).<br><input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.<br><input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.<br><input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. |   |
| 8.  | <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).   |   |
| 9.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).   |   |
| 10.   | <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).  |   |
| Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:   |  |   |
| 11.   | <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.   |   |
| 12.   | <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.   |   |
| 13.   | <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.  |   |
| 14.   | <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.  |   |
| 15.   | <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.   |   |
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| <p><b>NOTE:</b> Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.</p>   |                        |   |   |         |   |                        |              |                      |  |              |   |           |  |         |                    |            |                      |             |         |   |  |  |             |    |
| <p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:</p> <p>Foley &amp; Lardner LLP<br/>Customer Number: 22428</p>   |                        |   |   |         |   |                        |              |                      |  |              |   |           |  |         |                    |            |                      |             |         |   |  |  |             |    |
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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/29/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/29/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 12/29/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 12/29/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/29/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 12/29/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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